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Spanish Soldiers Rob Cubans and Slay Them if They Protest---Atrocities Witnessed by a Briton.

By Marion Kendrick. (Copyright, 1897, by W. R. Hearst.) | tates, La Grifa, Juangomez and San Juan

Pinar del Rio City, Cuba, April 10. y Martinez, there are over six hundred The once fertile fields of Vuelto Abajo Cuban widows whose husbands have disapare desolate, and the province is virtually peared since Christmas. depopulated. The capital and towns contiguous to the Western Rallway as well as coast ports garrisoned by Spanish troops

that no less than 40 per ceut, of the rural command, had been thrown, information of atrocities committed since

by guerillas under Lieutenant Caloft. Dur- narian, Antonio Duarte, and four negro

Shoots the "Suspects." When Melguizo raided Cuevas De Sabalo are overcrowded with starving refugees, pects. In Vinales seventeen others were men, women and children, for the relief bound and macheted. Upon the outskirts of whom no funds are at the Government's of Guane, the British traveller was shown a ditch into which he was told forty negro Well informed persons here assure me women and children, killed by Melguizo's

population have fallen victims of General He attempted to photograph the spot, Melquizo's forces. Pacificos were killed but was prevented by his escort. He sucwithout mercy under special instructions ceeded, however, in obtaining the names from Weyler, and a hundred instances of two of the victims-Amalia Rodriguez might be mentioned where neither women and Maria Valdez, wives of poor charcoal

New Year's by Weyler's regulars and Mol. are also reported. The wife and six children quizo's guerillas was given me by an ex- of Anselmo Lescano, an insurgent leader officer of the British Army, who, with a of the district, were captured and ma permit from the palace at Havana and a cheted by one Jose Mesa, a sergeant of pass from the Civil Governor of San Pedro, Spanish volunteers. A negro woman, long recently made an extended tour through with the family as a servant, and her boy Pinar del Rio districts. Many of the more of twelve were also killed. The wife and brutal crimes, he says, were committed in two children of Lescano's brother were assassinated by Lieutenant Vicente Con-

Juan Leon, a white pacifico and tobacco- Another chief of volunteers, Manuel grower, upon whose estate a few rusty Melendez De Pilora, had Manuel Lazo and old machetes were found secreted, and Tomas Borrejo, well-known tobacco grow-Manuel Finca, his negro foreman, were ers, and two white farm hands, Manuel tied together, shut up and left in a barn Igleseas and Miguel Llanes, an octoge-

Cuba Demands "Unconditional Freedom."

President Palma, of the Cuban Junta, returned from Washington yesterday. A private conference of the leading members of the Junta was held uptown last night. Among the matters considered was the best methods to pursue in regard to future expeditions; also the proposition that no more shipments of arms and men be sent from the Florida coast.

and ammunition would continue to be shipped. The Junta would ship from such points as seemed the most adapted and convenient to their purpose.

President Palma added with strong emphasis: "But under no circumstances shall we allow the neutrality laws of this country to be violated by any of our men. We shall act under the best legal advice and keep within the strict letter of the law. Nothing shall be permitted or countenanced by the Junta of an illegal character, so far as we are concerned. We do not say that we shall confine our shipments to the New eJrsey Coast or to any other coast. We can only decide when the emergency

In regard to the report from Philadelphia that General Weyler's special commissioner to the United States from Havana, Major Sandoval, comes North to arrest President Palma and destroy the Junta, M. Rubens, counsel for the Junta, said; Major Sandoval comes here for another purpose—it is said to negotiate peace. Our terms are unconditional freedom. When he comes on such a mission then we will

Lieutenant Cayetano Barquin, set fire to an old well. the barn, those confined within being In every town and village visited my burned alive. The incident was related informant saw hundreds of pale-faced womby Don Baldomero, a Costa clerk of the en, children and decrepit old men, homeless District Court at Guane, who, though a and with outstretched arms, crying for Spaniard, told the Englishman that he bread. Huddled together by night, they himself had often accompanied Caloft and sleep upon the sidewalks, in unoccupied them in the name of Spain.

them in their beds, confiscating a large desolation begun in the fields by Weyler. quantity of tobacco they had stored in their buildings. Two old servants, Rafael Diaz and his wife, were killed by Sam- German Inventor Substitutes Electric Current perio's men that they might not give evidence as to the tobacco being selzed.

Before the war began, Caloft, Barquin and Samperlo were all buyers of leaf tobacco for account of different Havana, Key the world thought to be the ultimate per-West, Tampa and New York manufactur- fection for the production of that sort of ers. Now, in the guise of Government vol. tone, has been branded as a back number. unteer chiefs, they rove around the coun-pears a pupil of Professor von Helmholtz,

Robbing the Peasants.

At Remates, Cortes and La Grifa, Captain Vincente Gutierrez, of the local guerillas, is also a speculator in tobacco, but compels the growers to haul their product into town and store it where he directs. Then he tells them to go home, that he will pass their way with his guerillas in few days and pay them, but if the remuneration ever comes the poor peasant receives it with his arms bound and in the form of Spanish machetes. And the prominence. Rafel Diaz.

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One planter of prominence, Rafel Diaz, and three men working in his tobacco field, were macheted by Gutierrez in broad day-light less than a league from Remates, their bodies being left by the roadside.

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In the distriction birth, was shot by the same [Washington Post.]

We are again getting around to that point where the Hon. Amos Rusie problem will be wil Emilio Sanchez, fourteen years old, para-

ing the night Spanish volunteers, led by boys macheted and their bodies thrown into

Barquin, and personally witnessed many stalls or abandoned barracks. Smallpox is of the shocking outrages committed by spreading among them; hundreds are suffering from fever and other ills, and before Another guerilla chief, Samperio, went at the Summer is over it is believed that an night to the houses of Miguel Barrera Al- epidemic will complete in the cities and varez and Nicholas Santoya and macheted towns and villages the work of death and

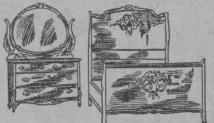
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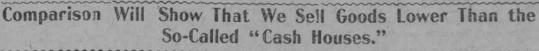
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